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HAND DELIVER

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

Re: The Berkshire Gas Company - D.T.E. 06-27

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

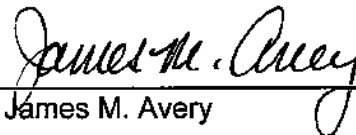
Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding, please find the redacted responses of The Berkshire Gas Company to the Record Requests of the Attorney General (original and one copy provided). For all the reasons stated previously in Berkshire's Motion for Protective Treatment of Confidential Information dated February 28, 2006 and pursuant to G.L. c. 25, §5D, the Company is requesting that all items related to contract price and certain information relating to the solicitation as reflected in the redacted responses to Record Requests provided herein be protected from public disclosure because of their competitively sensitive and proprietary nature. These materials are being provided to the Hearing Officer and Department officials and, pursuant to an executed non-disclosure agreement, to the Attorney General. These redacted responses are also being submitted electronically.

The Company is sending a searchable version of the responses by e-mail to the Attorney General.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

BROWN RUDNICK BERLACK ISRAELS LLP

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